



## Group Discussion and Application

1. What is Scripture's definition of a "successful church"?
2. What definition of success have many churches substituted in place of Scripture's goal?
3. Why do so many churches adopt the world's measures of success?
4. What is the result when the church adopts the world's standard of success?
5. How can the church maintain a proper perspective on "success" in ministry when surrounded by the world and so many churches that adopt a different standard?
6. How do you measure spiritual growth and maturity?
7. What evidences do you see that Grace Fellowship is growing?
8. What can Grace Fellowship do to stimulate further true church growth?
9. Recognizing that God is sovereign over His Church, to what extent should churches employ marketing strategies, etc.? How should we determine what is appropriate and what is not?



## Personal Reflection and Response

1. What specific part has God given you to contribute to the growth of Grace Fellowship? What more might you do?
2. What do you need to do to further your own personal spiritual growth?



## Family Homework

1. How do you know if your body is growing?  
What is necessary for this growth?
2. How do you know if you are growing spiritually?  
What is necessary for this growth?
3. How do we know if the church body is growing?  
What is necessary for this growth?



# The Growth of Grace

## Ephesians 4:13-16

*Paul describes genuine church growth.*

- 1 The \_\_\_\_\_ of church growth [13-14]
- 2 The \_\_\_\_\_ of church growth [14-15]
- 3 The \_\_\_\_\_ of church growth [15b-16a]
- 4 Our \_\_\_\_\_ in church growth [16b,c]